Amendments to the Claims

1. (original) An optical workstation comprising an optical breadboard supported by a frame, the frame comprising a plurality of upstanding legs interconnected by laterally extending cross-beams, the cross-beams laterally enclosing a space into which the optical breadboard is received.

2. (original) The optical workstation of Claim 1, wherein the frame is at least partially aluminum.

3. (original) The optical workstation of Claim 2, wherein the legs are aluminum.

4. (original) The optical workstation of Claim 2, wherein the cross-beams are aluminum.

5. (original) The optical workstation of Claim 1, wherein at least one of the cross-beams comprises a line or array of regularly spaced anchor points for mounting components.

6. (currently amended) The optical workstation of Claim ~~4~~ 5, wherein the anchor points comprise spigot holes.

7. (currently amended) The optical workstation of Claim ~~4~~ 5, wherein the anchor points comprise threaded holes.

8. (original) The optical workstation of Claim 1, wherein the optical breadboard is mounted to the frame by damping units.

9. (original) The optical workstation of Claim 1, wherein the frame comprises first and second end units, and laterally extending cross-beams interconnecting the first

and second end units, the first and second end units each comprising two legs and laterally extending upper and lower cross-beams.